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REPLY TO
ATTN OF: EM-421 (W. A. Williams, 903-8149)

SUBJECT: Authorization for Remedial Action at Bliss & Laughlin Steel Company Site
in Buffalo, New York

TO: L. Price, OR

The former Bliss & Laughlin Steel Company site located at 110 Hopkins Street in Buffalo, New York, is designated for remedial action under the Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP). The site is owned by Niagara Cold Drawn Corporation. This designation is based on the results of a radiological survey and conclusions from an authority review as noted in the attached Designation Summary (8/4/92). Copies of the radiological survey report and authority determination are provided for information.

The site has been assigned a low priority under FUSRAP protocol. The survey concluded that the property contains residual radioactive contaminants in concentrations that exceed current guidelines. However, the radioactivity is very localized and limited in extent, and under present conditions and use, no significant radiation exposures would occur to individuals who access the area. Because there is radiological contamination indoors, we recommend that cleanup of the site follow the FUSRAP protocol for an expedited removal action.

The effect of this designation on the FUSRAP baseline should be evaluated, documented, and submitted for approval under the baseline change control procedures.

/S/

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Attachments